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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy for Operations, OSA

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SUBJECT: Partial Pressure Suit Training For [REDACTED]

1. This memorandum is for your information.

2. During the period 5-8 September 1967, partial pressure suit training was conducted for the two latest

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[REDACTED] trainees at the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Participants included [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and the undersigned. All training objectives were accomplished successfully with each trainee receiving complete indoctrination in their life support equipment, including two altitude chamber flights in their pressure suits plus a standard "refresher" chamber indoctrination. [REDACTED] also received the same training and indoctrination as the two [REDACTED]

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3. [REDACTED] were two of the most enthusiastic, interested and personable students that I have encountered in many years of conducting pressure suit training programs. They willingly accepted all instruction and responded with thoughtful and detailed questions. Their attitude regarding long durations of prebreathing and chamber exposures went far beyond simple acceptance or resignation to an unpleasant experience, but instead amounted to eager and active participation. The opposite situation existed during the training of [REDACTED] last year. Many factors are undoubtedly involved in the great improvement in attitudes and motivation between these two [REDACTED] and the two trained a year ago. While [REDACTED] may have a better background or may have been selected on the basis of improved criteria, I strongly feel that much of the improvement can be attributed to the sincere efforts of [REDACTED] and his staff at [REDACTED]. In particular, [REDACTED] is to be commended for establishing an excellent rapport with both [REDACTED]. His sincere

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interest and close association has undoubtedly been largely responsible for their level of motivation. His interest has been accepted as representing the interest of all other personnel to which they are exposed, and his enthusiasm serves as an excellent example for them to follow.

25X1A 4. [ ] is also to be commended for providing outstanding support during a very demanding training schedule. In a period of 3½ days, [ ] suited and unsuited [ ] three times, 25X1A preflighted and postflighted their suits, helmets and seat 25X1A kits between each suiting, made fitting adjustments, and presented both academic and practical instruction to the students. All of these functions were performed within a schedule that would not allow any delays. His efficiency, abilities and, above all, his dedication and interest are a credit to him and to his organization.

5. On the final day of training, [ ] visited 25X1A and observed the training program. It is noteworthy that he seemed to be most favorably impressed with both the training and the high spirits of [ ] 25X1A 25X1A

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